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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

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CHRISTOPHER MATHIESON,

Defendant.

Plaintiff United States of America (the "United States"), by and through its attorney, Michael J. Garcia, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, alleges upon information and belief that:

- Jurisdiction is conferred on this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1345. 1.
- 2. Defendant Christopher Mathieson (the "defendant") resides at 34 8th Ave., New York, NY 10014-1872, within the Southern District of New York.

## FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

- 3. Defendant applied for and received a student loan from the lender whose name is set out in the defendant's promissory note(s) evidencing the loan, copies of which are annexed hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.
  - Defendant defaulted on said note(s) and owes the amount said note(s) and 4.

interest.

- 5. The United States is the assignee and present holder of said note(s).
- 6. The amount due and owing plaintiff by defendant on said note(s) is \$2,860.57, plus interest in the amount of \$2,226.42, as of December 20, 2007, with interest accruing thereafter at the rate of 8.02 percent per annum. A Certificate of Indebtedness from the United States Department of Education is annexed hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein.

### **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

- 7. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs numbered one through six.
- 8. Plaintiff insured the aforementioned note(s) pursuant to Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, Public Law 89-329.
- 9. The lender made an insurance claim on the United States for the amount of the lender's loss arising from the defendant's default on said note(s), which claim has been paid by the United States to the lender.
- 10. Plaintiff is entitled to be indemnified by defendant in the amount of \$5,086.99 as of December 20, 2007, with interest accruing thereafter at the rate of 8.02 percent per annum.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against defendant in the amount of \$5,086.99 plus interest as provided by law to the date of judgment and interest from the date of judgment at the legal rate until paid in full, together with costs and disbursements and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York

December 1, 2007

MICHAEL J. GARCIA United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York Attorney for the Plaintiff

Assistant United States Attorney 86 Chambers Street

New York, New York 10007 Telephone No.: (212) 637-2710

## VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK ) COUNTY OF NEW YORK : SS.: SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK )

KATHLEEN A. ZEBROWSKI, being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an Assistant United States Attorney in the office of Michael J. Garcia, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, that she has read the foregoing complaint, and that the same is true and accurate to the best of her knowledge and belief.

Assistant United States Attorney

Sworn to before me this

HERMAN AMOS JR.
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 31-4961366
Qualified in New York County
Commission Expires Feb. 5, 2010

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for the term(s) that begins on $\frac{68}{Month}$ / $\frac{93}{Year}$ and etc. $\frac{5}{Month}$	The state of the s
APPLICATION/PROMISSORY NOTE FOR A FLORIDA STAFFORD LOAN	
WARNING: This Student loan must be repaid. Fallure to honor its repayment terms may result in default. Any person who knowingly makes a false statement or misrepresentation on this form is subject to penalties under State and Federal Codes.	
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A, (Parent or Guardian) STREET ADDRESS CITY	22770
William F. Matheson 3099 Timpaua Pl. Orlando FI (907) 949.0502 Retired	
B. (Other Adult Relative who is not your parent or guardian)  Taem to too Hills, dres the nest to ineed to medical	
June Plastow 28058 Grand Duke MI 48334-3137: 476:3806-Housewife	
C (Other Adult who will know how to contact you)	
Dr. Brian McNeil 106 Newell Hall Gainesville, 71, (904) 392-1803 Professor	
6. READ INSTRUCTION FOR ITEM 6 BEFORE COMPLETING.  If you need assistance in selecting a lender or if you have any questions about how to complete this Application/Promissory	
Barnett Bank 18318460	Note, contact the Financial Aid Officer at your school or call the
PROMISSORY NOTE FOR A STAFFORD LOAN	
I. PROMISE TO PAY - I, the undersigned borrower identified above, PROMISE TO PAY to the order of the lender identified on my Notice of Loan Guarantee and Disclosure Statement or to a subsequent holder of this promissory note a sum equal to the loan amount I have requested in item 4 of this application or any lesser amount which will be disclosed to me on my Notice of Loan Guarantee and Disclosure Statement, plus interest and any other charges which may become due as provided for in this note. My signature confirms that I have read, understood and agreed to the conditions and authorizations stated in the "BORROWER CERTIFICATION" on the reverse side of this note and the legally required information in the application packet.	
NOTICE TO STUDENT: Terms of the Promissory Note continue on the reverse side. When you complete this Application and Promissory Note, you are applying for a loan and promising to repay the amount that is loaned to you.	
RETAIN THE BORROWER COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS.	
I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A PROMISSORY NOTE. I WILL NOT SIGN THIS PROMISSORY NOTE BEFORE READING IT INCLUDING THE WRITING ON THE REVERSE SIDE, EVEN IF OTHERWISE ADVISED. I AM ENTITLED TO AN EXACT COPY OF THIS PROMISSORY NOTE, THE NOTICE OF LOAN GUARANTEE AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND ANY AGREEMENT I SIGN. BY SIGNING THIS PROMISSORY NOTE, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE RECEIVED AN EXACT COPY HEREOF.	
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# Additional Terms of the Promissory Note for a Stafford Loan

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V. Default\* (will be in default and you have the right to give me notice that the whole cutatanding principal balance plus any unput interest I own is due and payable at once (subject only law which gives me a right to cure my default) if: 1) any payment has not reached you within the number of days after it is due as specified on the Repayment Schedule, or if I fail to meet the terms of the Application Promissory Note under circumstances where you find it reasonable to conclude that I no longer intend to honor the obligation to repay, provided that my fallure persists for (a) 180 days if I pay in monthly installments, or (a) 240 days if I repay in the requestion of the promises under this egreement, or (4) I make any fallow written in 10 days, or (3) I make any firmy other promises under this egreement, or (4) I make any fallow written status within 10 days, or (3) I make any firmy other promises under this egreement, or (4) I make any fallow suitton statement in applying for this joan or for a forboarcance or deforment of the load of the promise sunder this egreement, or this loan of the sunder the control of the promises under this egreement, or the sunder the promise of the

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ofiven to me will be effective when mailed by first class mail to the latest address you have for me.

3) Your failure to enforce or insist that I comply with any term of this Note is not a waiver of your
rights. No provisions of this Note can be waived or modified except in writing. 3) If the Florida
Department of Education is required under its guarantee to repay my lean(s) because I have
defaulted, the Florida Department of Education will become the event of this Note and as my
creditor, will have, all the rights of the original lender to enforce this Note and as my
creditor, will have, all the rights of the original lender to enforce this Note against me. 5) I
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VIII. Deferment it am antilled to deferments under the Higher-Education Act of 1055, as amended and its regulations. I must request the deferment and provide you with all documentation required to establish my eligibility. I understand that I must notify you whan the condition entitling me to the deferment no longer exists.

IX. Repayment I will repay the total amount due on this Promissory Note in the rest indicated in interest, Paragraph III, on the unpublic balance from the due date of this Promissory Note untill the loan is paid in full? Prof to the due date of this Promissory Note untill the loan is paid in full? Prof to the due date of this Promissory Note untill the loan is paid in full? Prof to the due date of this Promissory Note untill the loan is paid in full? Prof to the due date of this Promissory Note untill the loan is paid in full? Prof to the due date of this Promissory Note.

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X. Prepayment I may, at my option and without ponalty, prepay all or any part of the 7 principal or accrued interest of this loan at any time, it I do so, I will be untitled to a rebate of any uncommed interest that I have paid.

XI. Credit Bureau Notification Information concoming the amount of this XI. CFECIF BUREAU NOTITICATION Information concerning the amount of hibsican and its repayment will be reported to one or more credit bureau organizations. If I default on this loan, the lender, holder, or guaranter will also report the default to credit bureau organizations. This may significantly and adversely affect my ability to obtain other credit. The lender, holder, or guaranter must notify me at least 30 days in advance that Information about the default will be disclosed to credit bureau organizations unless I onter repayment, on the loan within 30 days. The fender must provide a timely response to a request from any credit bureau organization regarding objections. I might raise with interruption about the accuracy and completeness of information reported about me.

XII. Disability or Death II I become totally and permanently disabled, or II I dia, nount on this loan will be cancelled

#### BORROWER CERTIFICATION:

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the following is true and correct. I the Sorrower, certify that the information contained in the application is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and is made in good faith I horsely authorize the school to pay to the lender any refund which may be due me up to the amount of this loan | further authorize any school that | might attend to release to the landing institution, subsequent helder, releaded, peptiment of Education of their specific, any requested information, perither to this report, any requested information, perither to this logar (g employment, onrollment status, current address) | certify that the proceeds of any four grade as a result of this. application will be used for educational expenses for the loan period at the school covered by this application. I understand that I must immediately repay any funds that I receive which cannot reasonably be attributed to mapling my education expenses related to attendance at that school for the loan period covered by this application I certify that the total amount of loans received under the Statford Loan Program, Title IV, Part B (2L 93-329) as amended, will, not exceed allowable maximums I further certify; that I do not now owe a refund of a Peti Grant, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, State Student incentive Grant, or Byrd Scholarship

and am not now in default on a Perkins Loan (formerly National Direct Student Loan), a Stafford-Loan, a Foderally insured Student Loan). Publis Loan, a Suppliemental Lean for Students, a Consolidation Loan, or an income Contingent Lean. I further authorize my lending institution to issue a check covering the proceeds of my loan, in full of in part, made payable to me, or at the lender's option, jointly payable to me and the school, and sent to the school. I have read and understand the provisions for determent of repayment provided in the Application Bookist's have read and understood the "Statement of Rights and Responsibilities" supplied with this application to the control of the school of the school of the "Statement of Pights and Responsibilities" supplied with this application to the school of the Identifies my lender, my school, my loan amount (as determined by my lender), the fee amounts, grace period, and falle charges. I understand and agree that if the information on the Notice of Loan Guarantee and Disclosure Statement conflicts with the information on the Application Promissory Note, the information on the Notice of Loan Guarantee and Disclosure Statement.

NOTICE TO STUDENT: BY YOUR SIGNATURE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS APPLICATION AND PROMISSORY NOTE YOU ARE AGREEING TO

EXHIBIT B

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## **CERTIFICATE OF INDEBTEDNESS #1 OF 1**

Christopher Mathieson Aka: Christopher James Mathieson 34 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. Apt. 5A New York, NY 10011 Account No: 595383046

I certify that Department of Education records show that the borrower named above is indebted to the United States in the amount stated below plus additional interest from 09/21/07.

On or about 08/31/93, the borrower executed promissory note(s) to secure loan(s) of \$5,500.00, from Barnett Bank at a variable rate of interest to be established annually by the Department of Education. This loan obligation was guaranteed by Florida Department of Education, Office of Student Financial Assistance and then reinsured by the Department of Education under loan guaranty programs authorized under Title IV-B of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 1071 et. seq. (34 CFR Part 682). The holder demanded payment according to the terms of the note(s), and credited \$41.18 to the outstanding principal owed on the loan(s). The borrower defaulted on the obligation on 09/20/94, and the holder filed a claim on the guarantee.

Due to this default, the guaranty agency paid a claim in the amount of \$2,860.57 to the holder. The guarantor was then reimbursed for that claim payment by the Department under its reinsurance agreement. Pursuant to 34 C.F.R. § 682.410(b)(4), once the guarantor pays on default claim, the entire amount paid becomes due to the guarantor as principal. The guarantor attempted to collect the debt from the borrower. The guarantor was unable to collect the full amount due, and on 09/07/04, assigned its right and title to the loan(s) to the Department.

Since assignment of the loan, the Department has credited a total of \$0.00 in payments from all sources, including Treasury Department offsets, if any. After application of these payments, the borrower now owes the United States the following:

Principal \$2,860.57 Interest: \$2,226.42

Total debt as of 09/21/07: \$5,086.99

Interest accrues on the principal shown here at the current rate of 8.02% and a daily rate of \$.63 through June 30, 2008, and thereafter at such rate as the Department establishes pursuant to section 427A of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 1077a.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746(2), I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: 10/19/07

Delfin M. Reyes Loan Analyst Loan Analyst
Litigation Support